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Trishna returns to rousing welcome

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A rousing welcome was accorded to Trishna' the first Indian yacht sailing around the world for the last 14 and half months, at Campbell Bay when it arrived there this morning from Penang.

A spectacular scene of two naval ships and a Coast Guard vessel speeding to receive the approaching 37-foot fibreglass sailing boat, greeted 'Trishna'. A large

number of people, including school children, assembled at Campbell Bay jetty to welcome the yacht in which the Indian army engineers sailed around the world.

As the yacht entered the territorial water, one naval aircraft and another of Indian Air Force hovered over as the 'Trishna' crew waved their hands.

The six crew members are Skipper Maj K. S. Rao, Maj A. Bhattacharya, Maj S. N. Mathur, handicapped sailor Major A. K. Singh, Capt. S. Shekhar and Capt. C. Bharti.